

READING COMPREHENSION: LAWS OF THE GAME V

Read the following questions and choose the correct answers:

- 1. When the ball is in play, a player throws a boot at a person sitting in the technical area. What decision should the referee make?
- a) The referee sends off the player for violent conduct. The play is restarted with a direct free kick where the boot was thrown.
- b) The referee sends off the player for violent conduct. The play is restarted with a dropped ball taken from the position where the ball was located when the play was stopped.
- c) The referee sends off the player for violent conduct. The play is restarted with an indirect free kick taken from the position where the ball was located when the play was stopped.
- d) The referee sends off the player for violent conduct. The play is restarted with an indirect free kick where the boot was thrown.
- 2. Can the referee show a red card to a substitute and order him to leave the technical area for using offensive language?
- a) No, never.
- b) Yes, always.
- c) Only if the substitute has not yet participated in the play and the full number of substitutes has been used.
- (3. A spectator blows a whistle and a defender, inside his own penalty area, handles the ball believing that the play has been stopped. What decision should the referee make?
- a) The referee stops the play and restarts it with a dropped ball.
- b) The referee stops the play and restarts it with a direct free kick or penalty.
- c) The referee allows the play to continue.
- 4. The referee mistakenly stops the first half of a match after 40 minutes instead of the normal 45 minutes. He does not realize his error until after the match has finished. What action should the referee take?
- a) He should report the fact to the appropriate authorities, specifying the reasons of the decision.
- b) He should recommence the play for a further five minutes.
- c) Nothing
- d) None of the answers is correct.



- 5. What disciplinary action is taken against a player if he denies the opposing team an obvious goalscoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball, if advantage is not applied?
- a) Caution or no disciplinary action.
- b) A sending off or no disciplinary action.
- c) A sending off, caution or no disciplinary action.
- 6. A goalkeeper takes a throw-in. What happens if, after the ball is in play, he touches it a second time (not with his hands) before it has touched another player?
- a) The referee allows the play to continue.
- b) If advantage cannot be applied, the referee awards an indirect free-kick to the opposing team, to be taken from where the infringement occurred.
- c) The referee awards a dropped ball where the infringement occurred.
- d) The referee awards a dropped ball where the ball was when the play was stopped.
- 7. During the half-time, one of the teams makes a substitution without informing the referee and the substitute scores a goal. The referee realizes before the game restarts. What decision should the referee make?
- a) He should allow the goal and caution the player for improper entry onto the field of play.
- b) He should allow the goal and caution the coach for not communicating the change.
- c) He should disallow the goal and caution the player for unsporting behaviour, and restart the play with an indirect free kick against the substitute's team taken from the defending team's goal area.
- d) He should disallow the goal and caution the player for unsporting behaviour, and restart the match with a dropped ball taken from the defending team's goal area.
- 8. Which of the following signals is correct for an assistant referee to give when the ball has completely passed over the touch line?
- a) He raises the flag with his left or right hand and makes a signal to indicate the direction of the throw-in.
- b) He always raises the flag with his right hand and then switches depending on the direction he has to indicate.
- c) It is not necessary for him to give a signal.
- d) He always raises the flag with his left hand and later switches depending on the direction he has to indicate.
- 9. An assistant referee signals that the ball has crossed the touch line. Before the referee has indicated the ball is out of play, a defender inside his own penalty area strikes an opponent with excessive force. The referee...
- a) Sends off the defender for violent conduct. The play is restarted with a penalty kick to the opposing team.

- b) Cautions the defender for unsporting behaviour. The play is restarted with a throw-in.
- c) Sends off the defender for violent conduct. The play restarts with a throwin.
- 10.What should the referee do in a match if he notices a sports brand logo on the corner flags?
- a) He should disregard it as unimportant.
- b) He should disregard it as unimportant but report the incident to the relevant authority.
- c) He should order that they be changed for flags without advertising.
- d) He should abandon the match if there are no other flags available.

